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## Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraphs [0032] and [0034] with the following amended paragraphs:

[0032] Figure 1 shows a tension roller 1, whose construction comprises a running wheel 2, which is produced from plastic and which can rotate relative to a spacer 4a through the use of an antifriction bearing 3. In the installed state, the tension roller 1 is guided through a longitudinal bore hole 6 of the spacer 4a and fixed to the antifriction bearing 3 supported threaded connector 5. The spacer 4a is provided with a centering collar 7, on which an inner ring 8 of the antifriction bearing 3 is positioned preferably by a press fit and is supported on the end on a shoulder 9 of the spacer 4a. An outer ring 10 of the antifriction bearing 3 is surrounded on the outside by the running wheel 2 and thus connected with a positive fit. Rolling bodies 12 guided in a cage 11 are arranged between the inner ring 8 and outer ring [[19]] 10 of the antifriction bearing 3 spaced radially apart from each other.

[0034] Furthermore, a rotational lock 24 is provided between the sealing cap 13a and the running wheel 2. For this purpose, an axially aligned projection 25 of the sealing cap 13a engages with a positive fit in a correspondingly shaped recess 26 of the axially directed shoulder 16 of the running wheel 2. The radial leg 19a of the sealing cap 13a further comprises a crimped section 27, with which a defined distance between the antifriction bearing 3 and the sealing cap 13a can be defined. Furthermore, the crimped section 27 enables a certain elasticity in order to simplify the assembly of the sealing cap 13a. As a measure to reduce the sealing gap 21, it is also possible provide on the inside of the radial leg [[29]] 19a an annular groove 28

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for holding a sealing ring. For this purpose, a felt ring 39 is suitable, which is guided on the outer surface 21 of the sealing cap 13a, after a start-up phase forms a tightly defined sealing gap. The sealing cap 13a is also provided with at least one bore hole 40 in the region of the cylindrical rim 15. The bore hole 40 has the task of being able to discharge contaminants let into the annular gap 14 in the operating state, i.e., when the running wheel 2 is rotating, based on centrifugal force.